

State of New Hampshire DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

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William A. Gosse 311 Shackford Corner Road Barnstead, NH 03225

WD WWEB/R 03-03 June 25, 2003

Subject:

Gosse Septic Service

Prescott Road, Pittsfield, NH

Septage Treatment and Disposal Facility

Permit No. GWP 199009020-P-001

Dear Mr. Gosse:

On May 13, 2002, and June 16, 2002, personnel from the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (DES) conducted site inspections of the Gosse Septage Treatment and Disposal Facility located on Prescott Road in Pittsfield, NH. The purpose of these inspections was to determine whether Gosse Septic Service was in compliance with RSA 485-A, Env-Ws 1600, *The Septage Management Rules*, and Permit No. GWP 199009020-P-001 relative to the operation of your privately owned septage lagoons.

As a result of the inspection, the following deficiencies were noted:

1 The lagoons were not maintained to provide a minimum of 2 feet of freeboard.

Env-Ws 1608.08(e)(2) requires all lagoons to be maintained to provide a minimum of 2 feet of freeboard at all times.

2. Lagoon solids were stockpiled on site in an uncontrolled manner.

Env-Ws 1608.08(d)(4) requires all lagoons to be maintained in a clean and orderly fashion to minimize attraction of vectors. Env-Ws 1608.08(l) requires stored or stockpiled septage to be maintained to minimize water run-on and run-off.

DES believes the cited deficiencies can be corrected within 30 days and requests that Gosse Septic Service submit a report within 45 days of receipt of this letter that describes the corrective measures taken. In the event compliance is not achieved within this period, DES may initiate formal actions against Gosse Septic Service, including issuing an order requiring the deficiency to be corrected, initiating an administrative fine proceeding and/or referring the matter to the NH Department of Justice for imposition of civil and/or criminal penalties.

Please be aware that the operation of the lagoons are required to be in accordance with the Env-Ws 1600 New Hampshire Septage Management Rules, in accordance with Env-Ws 1604.02(h)(1). While it is our understanding based on conversations that you are not currently disposing septage at your lagoons and will complete closure of this facility by January 1, 2004, nevertheless, you must continue to meet all Env-Ws 1600 requirements until closure is complete, including provisions for odor controls during the removal of liquids and solids from the lagoons.

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A written report as requested above should be addressed as follows:

Alexis Rastorguyeff, P.E. Residuals Management Section NHDES Water Division P.O. Box 95, 6 Hazen Drive Concord, NH 03002-0095

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please call Alexis Rastorguyeff at 271-7888.

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